

Guide to the Uniroyal Collection, 1919-1992

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Overview of the Collection

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Collection Number: University Historical Collection 255

Creators: University of Wisconsin--Eau Claire. McIntyre Library. Special Collections & Archives

Title: Uniroyal Collection

Dates: 1919-1992

Quantity: 1 linear foot (1 record carton and 1 oversize folder)

Location of Collection: A10/1g, Drawer 26

Languages: Collection materials are in English.

Summary: Newspaper articles, photographs, and other materials related to the Gillette, U.S. Tire and Rubber, and Uniroyal plants in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Historical Note

The plant that ultimately became the Uniroyal plant was founded in 1916 by R.B. Gillette as the Gillette Safety Tire Co. In 1940, The United States Rubber Company, later Uniroyal, Inc. purchased Gillette. The plant closed in 1991, following the purchase of Uniroyal Goodrich by Michelin et Cie. For a more detailed history of the Uniroyal plant in Eau Claire, see the finding aid for Eau Claire Mss CB.

Content Description

The collection consists largely of articles from local newspapers regarding the closing of the plant in 1991. Other materials include photographs of employees and the plant, fragments of employee records and wage information, and a small collection of correspondence, photographs, and other writings by Sanford Kruger, Factory Manager in the late 1960s and 1970s.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information:

Donated to Special Collections & Archives, University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire prior to March 2006.

Access Restrictions: Collection is open to the public.

Use Restrictions:

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Arrangement: Flat arrangement; alphabetical order.

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Subjects

Personal Names:

Kruger, Sanford
Vatne, Leo W.

Corporate Names: Uniroyal, inc. Eau Claire plant

Subject Terms:

Rubber industry and trade--Wisconsin--Eau Claire
Tire industry--Wisconsin--Eau Claire

Detailed List of Contents

Container	Contents	Dates
Box/Folder 1/1	Advertisements	Circa 1930-1940

Box/Folder 1/2	Brochures	Circa 1980
Box/Folder 1/3, 1/4, 1/5, 1/7	Clippings	Circa 1943, 1992
Box/Folder 1/8	Clippings (photocopies)	1991
Box/Folder 1/9	Constitution, Regulations and By-Laws	1956-1964
Box/Folder 1/10	Employee Photo ID List	1947-1974
Box/Folder 1/11	Employee Records	1941
Box/Folder 1/12	Factory Manager Papers	1969-1977
Box/Folder 1/13	Miscellaneous	1943-1959
Box/Folder 1/14	Photographs: Employees	Circa 1975-1985
Box/Folder 1/15	Photographs: Plant	Undated
Box/Folder 1/16	Wage Increase Information	1945-1955
Box/Folder 1/17	Leo W. Vatne Photo ID badge and ring	Circa 1940
Box/Folder 1/18	Office Employee Agreements	1953-1979
Box/Folder 1/19	Pension, Insurance and Severance Pay Agreement and Unemployment Benefits Plan	1959-1967
Box/Folder 1/20	Newspaper articles: 25 years since closing of Uniroyal	2017
Pictures: Drawer: 26	Photographs: Gillette Rubber Plant Picture, Company picnic photos located in oversized pictures	1919-1927